



Pendleton United Church

"Celebrate in Worship"

Welcome to Pendleton United Church. This church was founded in 1886. We later joined with the Riceville United Church in 1945 and became the Riceville-Pendleton United Church Congregation. All Sunday Services start at 10 AM.

Pendleton United Church is located at 2080 Concession 10, Curran. Service begins at 10 AM. The sanctuary and lower hall are fully accessible by an elevator located at the rear of the sanctuary beside the stairs.

History of Pendleton United Church



The founding of what is now Pendleton United Church began January 5, 1886 when Henry Moffatt granted the present parcel of land to trustees appointed by the Congregation of The Presbyterian Church of Plantagenet. The price was the sum of one dollar. Pendleton was associated with Hammond. A fire on June 13, 1914 destroyed the Hammond Church and the records of both churches.

In 1925, the year of the creation of The United Church of Canada, the name changed to The Pendleton United Church. In the mid 1930's it became a single entity Pastoral Charge with its own Manse House located in the Village of Pendleton.

The 1945-1946 time frame brought further changes. The horse and buggy shed was no longer required and disposed of thus signifying the change in mode of transportation used by the Congregation.

Pendleton joined with Riceville and Georges lake. In 1967 Georges Lake United Church closed and since then the pastoral charge is known as The Riceville Pendleton Pastoral Charge.

In the 1980's numerous significant changes took place. In 1980 there were two Organists and two Sunday services. Service in Riceville with a relatively young Organist named Catherine Clemens followed by service in Pendleton with a seasoned Organist and long time member named Calvin Johnston.

In 1982 the Manse House in Riceville was sold. In 1983 we went from two Sunday Services to one, alternating the location monthly. In 1985 Calvin Johnston moved from this area to Collingwood.

Gladys deVries, wife of our retired Baptist Minister, became the Organist in Pendleton. In 1986 the first significant changes to the original Church building were made. It was raised and a basement was built under it. The Harrigan family, owners of the land surrounding the Church, were most helpful. Hubert and Ruth gave us permission to work on their property and Wilfred made the first donation to the Building Fund.

When the 100th Anniversary was celebrated August 7, 1988, the basement was fully equipped, renovations in the Worship Area were completed, and all was paid for. In 1989 Rev. Henry deVries and his wife Gladys moved away from this area and Catherine Clemens became the Organist also in Pendleton.

In August of 1992 Rev. Gail Christy became our Pastoral Charge Minister. The 2000's brought more changes. In 2003 a new Propane Heating system replaced the old oil stove heating system.

In 2005-2006 an Elevator/Faith Lift was installed making the basement of the Church building accessible to all. The Faith Lift Project was a team effort from beginning to ending. The inspiration was our former Minister Reverend Gail Christy.

The Team:

Research and Management Co-ordinators

**Professionals -- engineers, municipal inspectors,
integrated custom services, electrical.**

Senior Citizens -- with hammer and saw plus square level and plumb rule.

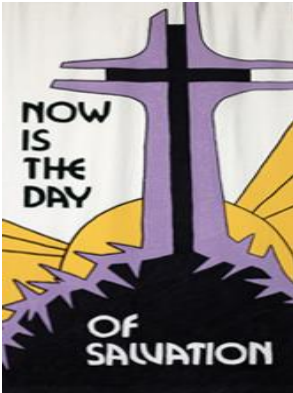
Fund Raising Committee Ladies.

Faith, Hope, and Charity continues to prevail. Dedicated May 7, 2006 and for the use of all who need it now and in the years to come. Licensed in the summer of 2006 and well used by many.



A brief history by Lowell Blaney.

Images of Pendleton



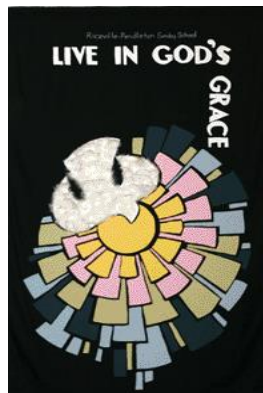
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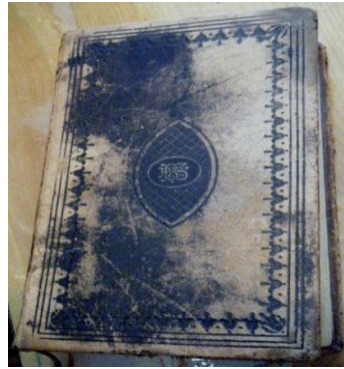
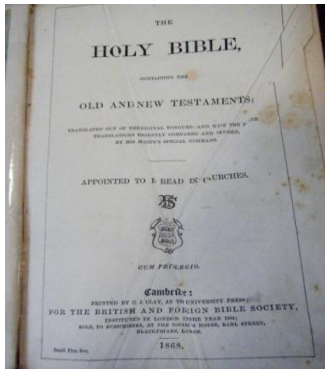


Hand Made by Kathleen Bradley



Hand Made by Chris, Angela & Sarah Edwards





This Old Bible which was printed in 1868 was presented in Plantagenet Mills April 2, 1869 " for the use of all Ministers who preached the Gospel, in the Stone School House "

Across the road from the Stone School House was the Plantagenet Presbyterian Church.

The founding of what is now Pendleton United Church began in January 1886 when Henry Moffatt granted a parcel of land and the Plantagenet Presbyterian Church appointed four trustees.

In the spring of 2010 at a special service in Pendleton involving the planning of what is now the Genesis Co-operative, Marion Christie from L'Original brought the Old Bible, noted the historic connection and read the Scripture Lesson from it.

In July she gave it to Lyal Campbell who placed in it a picture of the Stone School House and some historic information and then gave it to Pendleton United Church for safe keeping and use.

**Lowell Blaney
April 12, 2011**

***"Let's reach out to our neighbors in word and in deed.
Grow deeper in faith and in knowledge. Serve Faithfully."***